

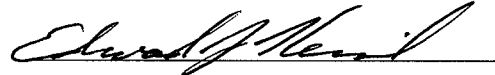
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**Amendment Accompanying Request for Continuing Examination; and
Confirmation of the Substance of the 4-14-2011 Telephonic Interview**

This Amendment is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continuing Examination (RCE) regarding the subject application. This Amendment also is, in form, a response to the 2011-02-08 Final Rejection ("the Final Rejection"). Last, this Amendment incorporates the substance of the telephonic discussion between the undersigned and Examiner Jeff Hoekstra on 2011-04-14, including the Examiner's 2011-04-20 Interview Summary confirming the substance of the 2011-04-14 interview.

The procedural steps herein employed and amendments to the claims shown herein were discussed with Examiner Hoekstra during the 2011-04-14 telephone interview. Per Examiner Hoekstra's 2011-04-20 "Interview Summary" agreement with respect to the claims "was reached," that acknowledgement being received with appreciation. The procedural and substantive steps taken here are all intended to place the claims of this application in condition

for allowance.

A one (1)-month extension of time to reply to the Final Office Action is requested and payment of the fee associated herewith are requested and authorized. Payment should be made from Deposit Account No. 23-2053.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 3.

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